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REMARKS

Claim 14 is amended to recite a feature of original claim 8. Further support for the amendment to claim 14 is found in lines 18-22 on page 24 of the specification:

Besides, the component (G) may be premixed with water to hydrolyze a part or all of the hydrolyzable groups into silanol groups to improve the dispersibility, and a homogeneous aqueous solution thus formed is used to make the composition. To facilitate the homogenization, the hydrolysis may be promoted by raising a temperature or by adjusting a pH of an aqueous phase to the range of from 2 to 4 with a little amount of acid. An excessively low pH may promote condensation of the hydrolyzed products to have an adverse effect.

No new matter is introduced by this Amendment. Claims 2-4 and 9-16 remain pending in the application.

Applicants rely upon the Amendment filed February 22, 2007 for their substantive response to the Office Action of November 22, 2006. The Examiner is invited to contact Richard Gallagher (Reg. No. 28,781) at (703) 205-8008 with any questions pertaining to this application.

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